



Health and the environment with focus on the Eastern Mediterranean Region

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Abstract:

Environmental effects on health are associated with several factors: absent or inadequate environmental health services, such as water supply, sanitation, solid and hazardous waste management and shelter; environmental degradation, such as pollution of air, water and soil, and food contamination; global environmental problems, such as reduction of biodiversity and degradation of ecosystems through deforestation, global warming, ozone layer depletion and contamination by persistent organic chemicals; and industrial accidents. The indirect health effects of environmental conditions and changes, such as the implications of a limited episode of food contamination on a country's food exports, may be more significant than their direct health effects.

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Resource Description

Exposure :

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Air Pollution, Extreme Weather Event, Food/Water Quality, Food/Water Quality, Food/Water Security, Food/Water Security, Human Conflict/Displacement, Indoor Environment

Air Pollution: Dust

Food/Water Quality: Chemical, Pathogen, Other Water Quality Issue

Water Quality (other): Saltwater intrusion

Food/Water Security: Nutritional Quality

Geographic Feature:

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Climate Change and Human Health Literature Portal

Non-United States

Non-United States: Africa, Asia

African Region/Country: African Region

Other African Region: Eastern Mediterranean

Asian Region/Country: Other Asian Region

Other Asian Region: Eastern Mediterranean

Health Impact: 

specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Developmental Effect, Infectious Disease, Morbidity/Mortality, Respiratory Effect

Developmental Effect: Reproductive, Other Functional Deficit

Infectious Disease: Foodborne/Waterborne Disease, Vectorborne Disease

Foodborne/Waterborne Disease: Other Diarrheal Disease

Vectorborne Disease: General Vectorborne

Respiratory Effect: Bronchitis/Pneumonia, Lung Cancer, Upper Respiratory Allergy, Other Respiratory Effect

Respiratory Condition (other) : Chronic respiratory disease

Population of Concern: A focus of content

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populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Children

Resource Type: 

format or standard characteristic of resource

Review

Timescale: 

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified

Vulnerability/Impact Assessment: 

resource focus on process of identifying, quantifying, and prioritizing vulnerabilities in a system

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